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UN's Climate Chief Pachauri Is "Dr. Lecherous" in Indian Media

Since his resignation on February 24 as chairman of the UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), Rajendra K. Pachauri (shown) has been avoiding the media — and trying to stay out of jail. As [we reported](#) on February 26, a 29-year-old female employee of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) based in New Delhi, which Pachauri also heads, has accused the 75-year-old Pachauri of criminal sexual harassment. More women have since come forward with nearly identical stories of abuse by the UN climate guru.



The U.S. and European media have been curiously uncurious about the story. They have given it very little coverage and would clearly like to see it go away. That is no surprise, since virtually all of the establishment Western media are totally invested in promoting global-warming hysteria, and have been for decades. They have unceasingly showered Dr. Pachauri and the IPCC with accolades (Pachauri accepted the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007 on behalf of the IPCC, along with Al Gore) and have uncritically trumpeted his statements about a coming climate apocalypse, which can only be averted, say Pachauri and company, by adopting a [UN plan](#) for global climate police to monitor, regulate, tax, and control all human activity: every breath you take, every move you make. Plans for implementing that planetary scheme could be jeopardized if the already discredited and disgraced IPCC were subjected to even more humiliating exposure. Thus, Dr. Pachauri's alleged predatory sexcapades have received scant attention in the American and European "mainstream" media.

Not so in India, where the allegations have been front-page news. The Indian press has printed pages of telephone text messages and e-mails allegedly between Pachauri and one of the female objects of his unrequited advances. Live India is one of the news organizations reporting on the matter that has reproduced many of the messages (see [here](#)).

Journalist/blogger Donna Laframboise has reproduced them in a more reader-friendly 23-page PDF file on her blogsite available [here](#). In one e-mail, Pachauri tells his resisting employee:

I am yours for life ... and will always be yours, even when someone else enters your life.

And you have hurt me so often by being inconsistently cold on so many occasions. Not letting me touch you, even though I have always treated your body with reverence and as sacred. Perhaps, you regard a physical relationship as a matter of expediency and convenience. Well I don't, and certainly not with your body which I worship, as you should have found out by now. Even when I "grabbed you body" I had my left hand over your right breast. Did I make even the slightest attempt to hold it in my hand or fondle you there? [Typos in original.]

"I've read all of these electronic messages twice," Donna Laframboise writes. "They tell the story of a young woman who, following months of valiant struggle, perseverance, and vast patience effectively



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loses her job because she won't let her boss grope her."

Pachauri's TERI employee says in her police statement:

Whenever I had to travel with Dr. Pachauri for work, he would use the opportunity to constantly say vulgar and demeaning things to me. Whenever I sat next to him on the flight, he would try to hold my hand and tell me how much he loved me. If I ever spoke to any other male colleague, he would remark that I was going to sleep with him. I made repeated requests and pleas to Dr. Pachauri to stop this behaviour towards me. I have categorically told him not to touch me inappropriately or to hold me or kiss me, but Dr. Pachauri did not stop....

I feel broken and scarred in body and mind due to Dr. Pachauri's behavior and actions.... I get frequent panic attacks due to the constant harassment and being made to feel like an object of vulgar desire from this man, who is old enough to be my grandfather.

"I was extremely scared of going and reporting the behaviour of Dr. Pachauri, as he is the head of the organization for which I work and I did not know who I could turn to for help," the alleged victim states. "I have tried to ignore and brush aside a lot of offensive behaviour from Dr. Pachauri as I was very scared of losing my reputation and employment if I complained to anyone.... I request you to register my complaint against Dr. Pachauri and bring him to justice."

In her February 28 [column for the Mumbai Mirror](#), Shobhaa De refers to Pachauri as "Dr. Lecherous," and says: "It's a common story and there must be thousands of creepy crawlies like Pachauri harassing junior colleagues in offices across the country and the world."

Much of the Western media who did cover the story reported Pachauri's response to the charges as if they merited serious consideration. Reuters reported, for instance that "[Pachauri's] lawyers have said his computer and mobile phone were hacked and that vested interests were maligning him because of his outspoken stand on global warming." But the Reuters reporters did not appear to be interested in subjecting that suspicious alibi to critical scrutiny.

Donna Laframboise, whose 2013 book *Into the Dustbin: Rajendra Pachauri, the Climate Report & the Nobel Peace Prize* takes the UN climate chief to the woodshed, has a more realistic take on the matter.

"Shadowy, nefarious interests are out to get him, so they hacked his electronic devices to make him look bad," [she writes](#). "Nice try, but few people who examine firsthand the text messages and e-mails Pachauri says are fake are likely to believe that. If vested interests wanted to make this man look bad by forging documents, one or two would have sufficed. Why spend 16 months at it — apparently inventing out of whole cloth love poems with titles such as *She's Cold* and *My Classical Indian Beauty*?"

"Why show Pachauri whining endlessly about how obstinate, unresponsive, unfeeling, and self-centered the complainant is?" Laframboise asks. "Why fabricate two-hour, late-night electronic chat sessions in which she keeps telling him she needs to sleep and he says things such as: 'Just please forgive me so that at least I can stop crying'? If the point was to undermine Pachauri's climate efforts, why did these allegations surface two weeks ago rather than, say, two weeks before December's Paris climate summit?"

Indeed, that would make much more sense. And there is another important point that merits re-emphasis. As this writer [reported](#) last week, the global-warming-alarmism choir in the media has studiously avoided mention of the very relevant fact that Dr. Pachauri telegraphed his lascivious predilections in his 2010 "erotic novel" *Return to Almora*. "The Pachauri novel," I noted, "which



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reportedly references the Kama Sutra, the ancient, illustrated Sanskrit sex manual, revolves around the Olympian sexploits of Sanjay the climate expert, as he labors to save the planet.”

“The fact of the author’s fixation on serial recreational fornication in *Return to Almora*, does not prove, of course, that the serious criminal charges leveled against him are true,” I further noted. “It does, however, lead a reasonable mind to consider the likelihood that this fixation in fiction would lead to a similar fixation in reality that would play out in the boss-employee relationship in the ways alleged by Pachauri’s accusers. In other words, *Return to Almora* tends to lend credibility to the women’s charges. It would also tend to further discredit the already [discredited IPCC](#), which has stumbled from [one scandal](#) to [another](#).”

The disgraced former IPCC head has also resigned as head of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) in New Delhi, in addition to stepping down from Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s Council on Climate Change.

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